FUEL ASSISTANCE CONTACT NUMBERS

BELKNAP AND MERRIMACK COUNTIES

COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM BELKNAP-MERRIMAC				
	COUNTIES, INC.			
CONCORD	225-6880			
FRANKLIN	934-3444			
LACONIA	524-5512			
MEREDITH	279-4096			
SUNCOOK	485-7824			
WARNER	456-2207			

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

ROCKINGHAM COMMUNITY ACTION, INC.				
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SALEM 898-8435

PORTSMOUTH 436-3896 or 1-800-639-3896

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

SOUTHERN NEW HAMPSHIRE SERVICES, INC.					
NASHUA	889-3440	or 1-877-211-0723			
MANCHESTER	647-4470	or 1-800-322-1073			
PETERBOROUGH	924-2243	or 1-877-757-7048			
HILLSBOROUGH	464-5835	Monday & Friday			
MILFORD	673-0756	Tuesday & Thursday			
GREENVILLE	878-3364	Wednesday			

CHESHIRE AND SULLIVAN COUNTIES

SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY SERVICES

KEENE 352-7512

CLAREMONT 542-9528 or 1-800-529-0005

STRAFFORD COUNTY

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	740 1224

DOVER 749-1334
ROCHESTER 332-3963
MILTON 652-9893
FARMINGTON 755-9305

COOS, CARROLL, AND GRAFTON COUNTIES

TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION					
BERLIN	752-3248				
COLEBROOK	237-8168				
LANCASTER	788-4477				
TAMWORTH	323-7400	or 1-888-842-3835			
LITTLETON	444-6653				
PLYMOUTH	536-8222				
WOODSVILLE	747-3013				
LEBANON	443-6100				

Heating Energy Savings Tips

- 1. Make sure your heating system receives professional maintenance each year.
- 2. Clean warm-air registers, baseboard heaters, and radiators as needed; make sure they're not blocked by furniture, carpeting, or drapes.
- 3. Clean or replace filters on furnaces once a month or as needed.
- 4. Run your kitchen, bath, and other ventilation fans for at least 20 minutes after you are done cooking or bathing.
- 5. Install a programmable thermostat that adjusts the temperature according to your schedule.
- 6. ENERGY STAR® labeled products can cut your energy bills up to 30 percent. Find retailers near you at **www.energystar.gov** when you're ready to replace your heating and cooling systems as well as appliances, lighting, windows, office equipment, and home electronics.
- 7. Insulate your hot water heater and hot water pipes to prevent heat loss. Set your water heater temperature at 120 degrees.
- 8. Insulate heating ducts in unheated areas such as attics and crawlspaces, and keep them in good repair, to prevent heat loss of up to 60 percent at the registers.
- 9. Place heat-resistant radiator reflectors between exterior walls and the radiators.
- 10. Bleed trapped air from hot-water radiators once or twice a season; if in doubt about how to perform this task, call a professional.

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New Hampshire's Fuel Assistance and Weatherization Programs

New Hampshire's Fuel Assistance Program

If you are having trouble paying for your heat this winter season, the New Hampshire Fuel Assistance Program (FAP) may be able to provide you with some relief.

The Office of Energy and Planning distributes federal Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) funds to New Hampshire's six Community Action Agencies (CAAs), which in turn distribute FAP benefits to **qualified** households throughout the state.

As funds become available, the Fuel Assistance Program (FAP) provides benefits to **qualified** New Hampshire households to assist with heating costs. Both renters and homeowners may be eligible for the Fuel Assistance Program.

FAP benefits can be used to help households in a heating emergency by securing an emergency delivery of fuel, or delaying a utility disconnection.

FAP benefits are a grant, do not have to be paid back. and are not counted as income when applying for other assistance programs.

Am I Eligible?

Eligibility and benefits for the Fuel Assistance Program and the benefit amounts for the federal Weatherization Program are determined by *gross* household income (i.e. total before taxes), the number of people in the household, and the burden of heating costs on your income. Income eligibility for both FAP and Weatherization usually can be determined during one appointment at your local CAA.

How Do I Apply?

- 1. Call your local CAA office to learn how to apply for FAP and/or Weatherization (see list of CAA office phone numbers on side panel).
- 2. Find out from the CAA staff where you will need to go and what you will need to bring, and schedule an appointment. To prevent delays in processing, be sure to bring all the materials requested to your appointment.

If you are homebound and unable to visit a CAA office, call your local CAA to arrange a home interview or an interview over the telephone.

NH's Fuel Assistance and Weatherization Programs prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, or physical or mental disability.

New Hampshire's Weatherization Program

The Office of Energy and Planning's Weatherization Program may be able to help you save money on your energy costs by installing energy efficiency and conservation measures in your home.

The installation of the energy efficiency improvements (such as weather-stripping, insulation, air sealing) and heat source repairs can make your home warmer. It can also help you reduce the amount of money you spend to heat your home. The Office of Energy and Planning distributes federal funds to the Community Action Agencies throughout the state. Renters and homeowners are both eligible for the Weatherization Program.

After you are determined income-eligible for the program, an auditor will schedule a time to perform an energy audit at your home as funding allows and based on priority. The audit will identify the most effective energy improvements for your home. A crew of trained workers will make the improvements. The energy auditor will return to your home after the work has been completed to inspect and evaluate the work and to explain the energy savings to you.

You do not need to accept FAP benefits in order to participate in the Weatherization Program.